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SUBJECT: SEA LORAN-C

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED AS AN INFO ADDRESSEE A MESSAGE FROM CINCPAC (CINCPAC 010203Z MAY 75) TO COMCOGARD SEASEC BANGKOK AUTHORIZING LORAN-C STATIONS IN THAILAND TO GO OFF THE AIR AND TO BE PUT IN TEMPORARY CARETAKER STATUS PENDING FURTHER GUIDANCE ON DISESTABLISHMENT. IT ALSO INSTRUCTS COMCOGARD SEASEC TO PROMULGATE THE APPROPRIATE NOTICE TO MARINERS.

2. WHILE WE APPRECIATE THAT THE LOSS OF VIETNAMESE LORAN-C SITES MAKES THE REMAINING THAILAND SITES USELESS FOR PURPOSES OF TRIANGULATION, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT IF THE THAI TRANSMITTERS ARE SHUT DOWN THE FACT WILL INEVITABLY COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE RTG. THE LORAN-C OPERATION IS, ADMITTEDLY, A SMALL PART OF OUR PRESENCE IN THAILAND. NONETHELESS, WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO OFFER IT UP TO THE THAI IN THE COURSE OF OUR DIALOGUE WITH THEM ON FORCE REDUCTIONS AND, HOPEFULLY, TO USE THE CLOSURE OF THE FACILITIES

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AS A BARGAINING PLOY FOR THE CONTINUATION OF OTHER ACTIVITIES OF MORE IMPORTANCE TO US.

3. THEREFORE, WE SUGGEST YOU REACT TO THE CINCPAC MESSAGE IN THE REGULAR TELEGRAPHIC CHANNEL, AND POINT OUT THE NEED TO

KEEP THE STATIONS ON THE AIR FOR POLITICAL REASONS. WE IN TURN CAN USE YOUR MESSAGE AS BACKING IN ARGUING FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATION FOR THE TIME BEING OF THE THAI LORAN-C SITES. KISSINGER

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